

**Christy Smith Fundraiser: “Have Your Cake and Democracy too:
Send Ms. Smith to Washington!” Report**
by Paul Koegel

On Saturday afternoon, September 24th, we’re holding what’s shaping up to be a great in-person outdoor event to raise money that will help Christy Smith boot out Mike Garcia in CD27 and turn a red House seat blue. Christy herself, Adam Schiff, and Sheila Kuehl will headline, and we’re hoping to get a “yes” from Ted Lieu as well. And, it will feature home baked goodies! Our goal is to raise \$100,000.

To get there, we need your help. We’re as successful at raising money as we are because of our co-hosts. Co-hosts agree to donate or raise at least \$500 by reaching out to their families, friends, colleagues, and acquaintances and asking them to buy \$50 tickets. Raising \$500 means selling just ten of these tickets—probably fewer because many people donate more. Given how many people you know who are desperate right now to do something to defend women’s rights, that shouldn’t be hard. We’ll provide you with all the information you need and we’ll share a sample email you can personalize or send out as is. All you have to do is reach out to the people you know.

To sign up, contact lauriecrane@gmail.com. Remember, action is the antidote to despair. We promise you’ll feel good about the difference you’ll make.